





# Hancock Boys & Girls Club hires Santiago as its director

## THE SEA COAST ECHO

The new Hancock County Unit of Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast has hired Richard "Richie" Santiago as its club director.

He said he is excited about working with a national organization with a proven record of success.

Santiago said he checked out the Boys & Girls Club Website before he applied for the job.

"The organization is so organized," he said last week. "They have policies and procedures in place. They're basically putting you on the highway and all you have to do is stay between the lines."

Santiago, 35, a Bay St. Louis resident, graduated from Hancock North Central High School and attended Pearl River Community College and the University of Southern Mississippi, majoring in mechanical engineering.

He and his wife, Cindy, own J's Restaurant in Waveland. They have two children: Tyler, 5, and Taylor, 4.

Santiago has been involved with youth programs for the past 17 years. He is a board member of the Hancock County Tourism Commission, a member of the Pearl River Alumni Association and a former board member of St. Stanislaus's Booster Club. He has coached football, basketball and baseball at St. Stanislaus for the past seven years.

"I've worked real closely with kids," he said. "I take it real seriously. I think we need to lot more role models than the TV fantasy world."

Said Santiago: "I try to give them some tips - do's and don'ts. I believe you have to take it seriously. You're a role model. The biggest problem today is we don't lead by example. I try to work with kids about everything. I feel blessed because at an early age I realized what I was here to do was to help kids however I could to help them be successful."

He defines success differently than some people: "I define success by what kind



Hancock County Unit Director Richie Santiago greeting a new Boys & Girls Club Member when the club officially opened on Jan. 6.

of parent that kid will be 10 years from now, how that kid will take care of his family 10 years from now, what kind of role model he or she will be 10 years from now."

Santiago is working with the state Attorney General's office and officials from St. Stanislaus, Bay High School and Our Lady's Academy to initiate a Big Brothers/Big Sisters to work with club participants, who range in

age from five to 18.

He is confident that the new club will help draw new industry to the county because those industries want assurance that youth development is important to the community.

He also is confident that the club will have increasing support from county residents.

"Once our leaders see that it will really make a

difference, our community's always stepped to the plate," he said.

Santiago believes that the establishment of a Boys & Girls Club, which organizers hope will grow and expand throughout the county, will make a significant contribution to improving the quality of life in Hancock County.

Said Santiago: "I just want to make a difference."

## Hancock Boys & Girls Club needs you

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

The new Hancock County Unit of Boys & Girls Clubs of the Gulf Coast, which opened on Jan. 6 at Second Street Elementary School in Bay St. Louis, needs volunteers to help out.

The club has opened with an after-school program

and will have an all-day program this summer.

The youth development program serves youngsters ages kindergarten through 18.

To sign up to volunteer, or for more information, call Richie Santiago at 463-9662 between 9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. weekdays.

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# Annunciation Men's Club raises \$22,000 for local organizations



Echo Staff Photo by Bennie Shalbetter

The Annunciation Parish Men's Club held a charity golf tournament raising \$22,000 for local charitable organizations. The club presented checks to Hope Haven, the Hancock County Food Pantry, St. Vincent de Paul, and to needy families in North Hancock County, distributed by a social worker in the North county. The club has raised about \$76,000 for

charity since 1998. Outside of the Bret Favre Foundation, this year's contribution to Hope Haven has been the single largest contribution to Hope Haven, said director Terry Latham. Pictured from left, front row, Charles Cangelosi, Latham, and Armand Cantrelle. Back row, John Sneddon, Harry Geauthreaux, Bert Schnadelbach, Butch Tollvar, and Howard Romagosa Jr.

## Hancock Medical Center employee earns healthcare compliance credentials

Hancock Medical Center compliance officer Shannon A. Church, LCSW, recently became one of some 300 persons nationwide to earn Certified Healthcare Compliance credentials.

Healthcare compliance is a relatively new industry, resulting from the government's crackdown on Medicare fraud. Compliance professionals work to ensure providers follow federal, state and local regulations that govern delivery of healthcare.

"The government constantly updates the laws and regulations surrounding Medicare to ensure proper billing and elimination of fraud," said Healthcare Compliance Certification Board president Debbie Troklus. "Compliance officers must understand the regulations and know how to implement programs to ensure their companies comply."



Shannon Church

Church, who has a master's degree in social work, has served in a number of capacities in her 8-year career at Hancock Medical Center.

"We have relied on Shannon's expertise several times during periods of transition," said Administrator Hal W. Leftwich, FACHE, DBA. "Her extensive knowledge of hospital operations enabled her to capably serve as interim director of patient financial services and later health information manage-

ment (medical records), said Leftwich.

In addition, she has been a full time social worker, social work supervisor, and interim director of social services. She is a member of the National Association of Social Workers and Healthcare Compliance Association. She was appointed compliance officer in 1998, and assumed supervision of medical audits in 2000.

A native of Virginia, Church is a graduate of Radford University with majors in social work and sociology and minors in anthropology and psychology. She relocated to New Orleans in 1982, and two years later was the youngest nursing home administrator in Louisiana. She was manager of a 200-unit retirement community and earned a master's degree in social work from Tulane University in 1989.

In the early 90s she was

director of social work at Lakeside Hospital of Metairie and director of alternative services at Northshore Psychiatric Hospital in Slidell.

Church resides in Bay St. Louis, where she is involved in a number of community organizations.

"I am especially proud to work with our community and among my colleagues at Hancock Medical Center," she said. "The professionalism, talent and longevity of service of our staff demonstrate the type of commitment needed for an ethical and successful organization."

## Gaits to Success to host volunteer training session Jan. 31 in Kiln

Gaits to Success, which operates South Mississippi's only therapeutic horseback riding program for the handicapped, needs more volunteers to help support the program. Gaits is a member of the North America Riding for the Handicapped Association.

The nonprofit organization operates out of a stable in Kiln on Kiln-Picayune Road about 1.5 miles west of

Mississippi 603. It has a fenced, covered arena and handicapped-accessible restrooms.

Volunteers help out by working with horses and riders. But horsemanship skills are not necessary to volunteer. Gaits also needs help with publicity, fund-raising, special events, etc.

Gaits will have an orientation session and training

workshop at the stable from 2 to 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 31. Carolyn Rhodes and Kathleen Mosteller will demonstrate proper methods and handling of children and horses. They also will provide additional tips for seasoned volunteers. Refreshments will be served.

For more information about the program, or to sign up to volunteer, call 467-1402.

## Boil water notice

Total Environmental Solution Inc. issued a "Boil Water" notice for people who live in the White Cypress Lakes Subdivision in Hancock County.

The system lost pressure due to a break in a main water line. Customers are advised to boil their water until future notice.

Steve Jones spokesperson

for the water system, said this precautionary action is necessary because the system lost pressure.

When a distribution loses pressure, contaminants can siphon back into the system. Public health officials consider any system that has lost pressure contaminated until test of the water prove otherwise. As soon as pres-

sure is restored to those customers affected, water system officials will begin collecting water samples for testing.

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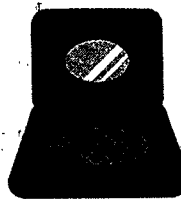
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## Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Clare Conference Hancock County FEMA Notice

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The selection was made by a national board that is chaired by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and consists of representatives from The Salvation Army, American Red Cross, United Jewish Communities, Catholic Charities, USA, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. and United Way of America. The board distributes funds to help expand food and shelter programs in high-need areas of the country.

A local board made up of Thomas Longo, Waveland mayor, the United Way and other charitable organizations determines how the funds are to be distributed in Hancock County.

Under the terms of the grant, local government or private voluntary organizations receiving funds must: 1) be non-profit, 2) have an accounting system, 3) practice nondiscrimination, 4) have demonstrated capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and (if private) have a voluntary board. Qualifying organizations are urged to apply. Hancock County has distributed emergency food and shelter funds previously with Catholic Social Services, Diocese of Biloxi, the Hancock Food Pantry, and St. Vincent de Paul Societies in the area.

Further information on agency participation may be obtained (1) by contacting Emile Comar, St. Vincent de Paul Society, P.O. Box 283, Waveland, MS, 39576 (2) by leaving a message at 228-467-0703. Deadline for agency participation applications is 11am., Jan. 28, 2004, at which time the local board will meet at 307c Coleman Ave., Waveland, MS, 39576.



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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

## Hancock officials to host After Hours

*Tours of Hancock Courthouse available during After Hours*

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours this evening from 5 to 7 p.m.

Sponsors are the elected officials of Hancock County. There will be tours through the renovated historic landmark Hancock County Courthouse.

Sponsors are also the Hancock Chamber, Port and Harbor and the Tourism Development Bureau.

I hope to see you at the Business After Hours this evening.

Congratulations are in order for State Senator Scottie Cuevas upon his selection as chairman of the Economic Development and Tourism committee last Friday.

Cuevas along with several other coastal senators received chairmanship positions.

It is about time for the Coast to be recognized in Mississippi.

Last Thursday several House of Representatives from the Coast also received chairmanship positions which is very good.

It is really about time for the coast to be in the position they should have been for many years.

The economic growth of the coast is very important to our state.

### Business After Hours

Today, Jan. 22

5 to 7 p.m.

Hancock County Courthouse

If you are interested in possibly helping, on the Relay for Life, call the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

I know that everyone who participated in Hancock's Relay for Life in 2003 and in prior years had a great time.

You may be surprised by the number of Hancock County residents who cancer survivors.

It is only through research funded through such events as the Relay for Life that more and more lives can be saved.

Even if you do not want to participate yourself, there will be many folks around taking pledges for Relay for Life in the months ahead.

The event will be held in Hancock County on May 22.

## LeFleur's Bluff legend endures

Could Gov. Haley Barbour launch a campaign to rename this state capital city LeFleur's Bluff -- as it was originally called -- in memory a long-deceased relative?

Not likely, but there's more substance to the idea than most Mississippians realize.

What even State Archivist Elbert Hilliard didn't know, was that the state's new governor can



### Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

claim that he is a direct descendant of the storied 18th century French-Canadian adventurer Louis LeFleur, whose reputed trading post on the Pearl River is the site of the state capital.

Barbour in a pre-inauguration Humanities Commission lecture at the Old State Capitol simply dropped the historic bombshell that LeFleur was "my maternal great-great-great grandfather."

"LeFleur's Bluff," reputed

to have been a LeFleur trading post near the Natchez Trace overlooking the Pearl River, was selected by a commission in 1821 to become the site of the state capital.

Although some historical documents on the state capital origins refer to "LeFleur's Bluff" as the site, later research raised questions as to how it came to be named for Louis LeFleur, or if it actually was one of his several trading posts.

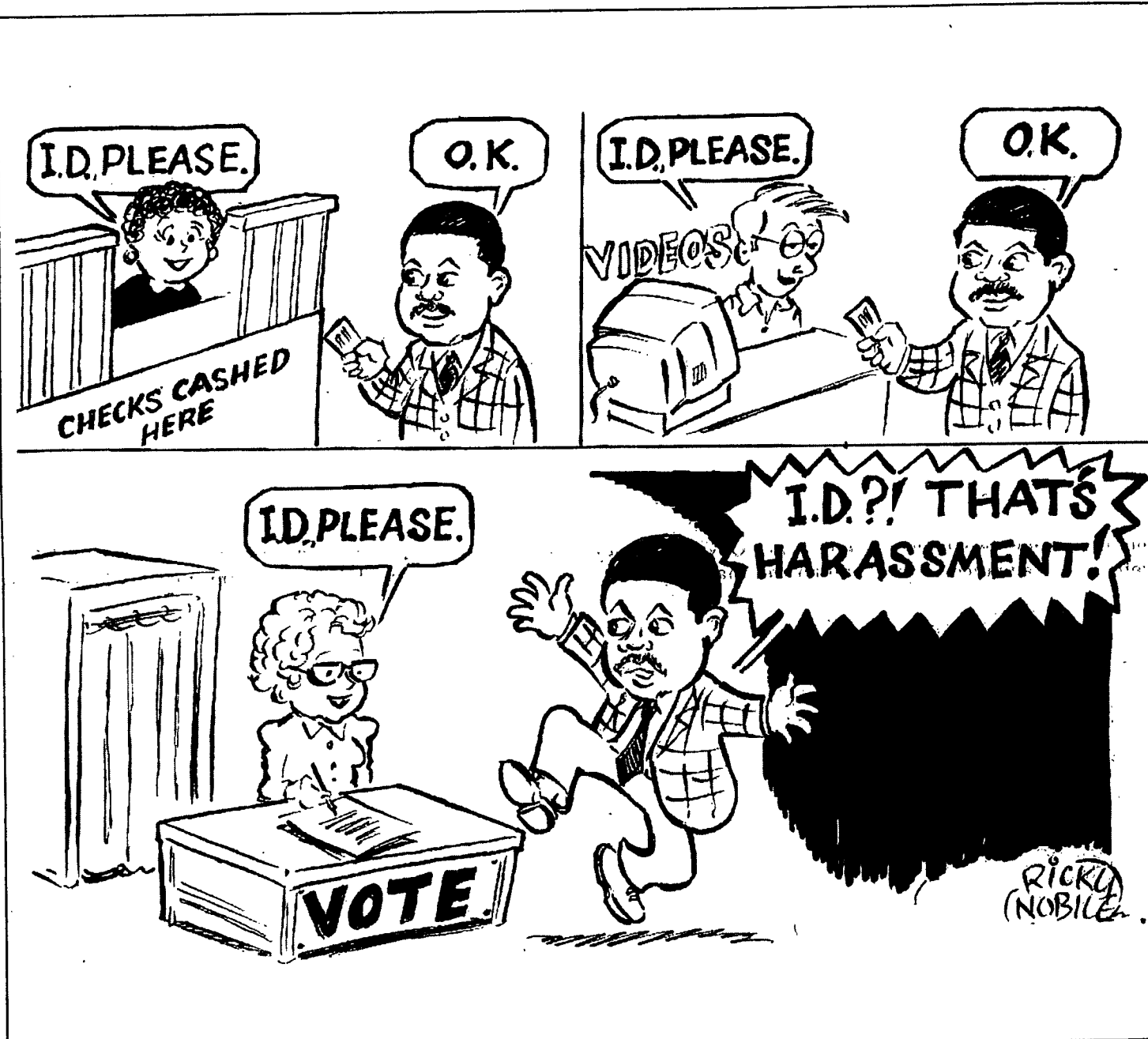
Nonetheless, the LeFleur's Bluff legend endures, as do several others surrounding the redoubtable LeFleur. By a

part Choctaw wife, Rebecca Cravet, he sired Greenwood Leflore (note the name change), who would become principal chief of the Choctaws and a man of wealth and a political figure.

A romanticized version of early state history even says that the spot where the Old Capitol is located in Jackson was Leflore's birthplace.

Interestingly, the maiden name of Governor Barbour's late mother was Leflore Johnson, a descendent of Greenwood Leflore's brother.

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Pitting animals against each other in a fight to the death is unbelievably cruel and is a felony in this state. Guns, drugs, and illegal gambling are always present at these events.

Training a dog to fight involves the use of bait animals--other dogs, puppies, cats, kittens. Even children's baby dolls are used. There were many skeletons of small domestic animals littering the grounds of the dog fighting ring in Kiln on Saturday.

Research has proven the direct connection between animal abusers and child and domestic abuse. Do you want people like that living in your community or neighborhood?

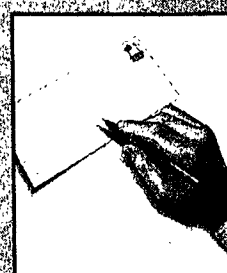
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Sincerely,  
Micky Evans  
Bay St. Louis

## Letters to the Editor

### Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



## From the Senate

The second week of this year's Senate session was highlighted Tuesday with the inauguration of Haley Barbour as the state's 63rd governor.

It was quite a celebration, during which we recognized and honored eight members of a National Guard Special Forces unit that distinguished themselves fighting the Taliban in Afghanistan. They were recognized immediately before Gov. Barbour was sworn in and it was quite a

moving moment.

For the rest of the week we were mostly in an organizational phase as the lieutenant governor prepared her list of committee assignments. As I noted last week, these assignments are critical to the way the work will flow over the next four years.

Committee chairman have a great deal of say over which legislation will live and which will die and naming the correct person to

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Much of Leflore's wealth crumbled with the outbreak

"I could see from the start that Haley was a natural administrator," Reed says. As soon as Barbour received his law degree at Ole Miss

Meantime, Barbour became Mississippi's Republican National Committeeman, giving him the chance to take his next step up the political ladder by being elected in 1993 (notably defeating now-Atty. Gen. John Ashcroft) as

Once it was certain that Barbour would come back to run for governor, it was clear to me that with an unlimited war chest and his ability to fine tune the most massive campaign this state had ever seen, Barbour would be extremely hard to

Isn't it ironic that Barbour's noted ancestor Greenwood Leflore, strongly believed exactly opposite on the matter of the Confederate flag?

So much for history. Politics is another matter ..

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That process is difficult enough without having to shore up the budget with funds from various other sources. As you may know—well, in advance, in instance, we are halfway through



In September, state agencies had an opportunity to make their requests to the Legislative Budget Committee. Collectively, the agencies asked for appropriations that total \$4.491 billion -- slightly \$1 billion more than what we appropriated for the current year. Obviously they get that amount. We understand that they always ask for more

Friday the lieutenant governor named her committee assignments and now the real work will begin.

I am proud that Lt. Gov. Amy Tuck has appointed me as Chairman of the Economic Development, Tourism & Parks Committee. I will work as hard as I can to make sure these matters important to

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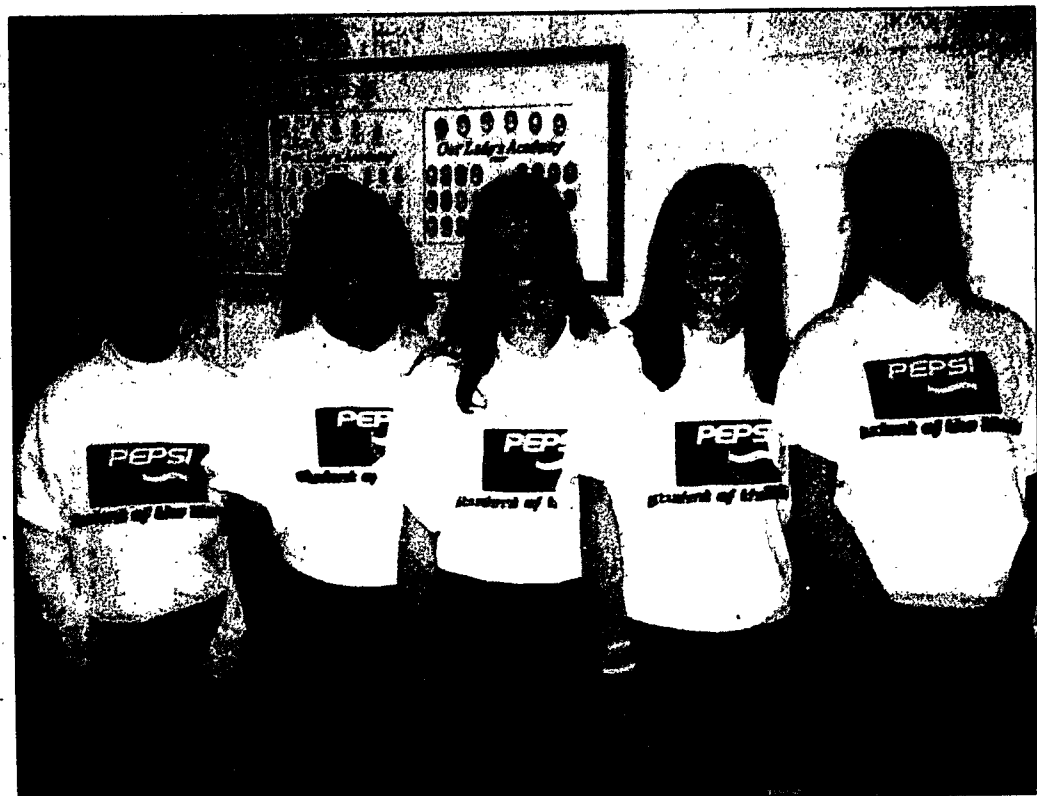
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## OLA's 'Pop' Stars



Our Lady Academy announces the Pepsi Students of the Month for November. They are: (left to right) Madeleine Michell, 7th grade; Katie Balentine, sophomore; Christy Gleber, junior; Leah Tucker, freshman; and Rachel Wright, senior. Absent from picture was Shelly Reboul, 8th grade.

## Cocaine -- 4 kilos

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plastic and wrapped with duct tape were found."

Meanwhile, Narcotics Agent Clifton (Bubba) Malley and CNET Agent Abe Long had been summoned to the site. Long is the agent in charge of the investigation and is assisted by Agent Malley, Karl reported.

The kilos of cocaine were approximately 1-1/4 inch thick, 5-3/4 inches wide and 8-3/8 inches long. Their weights were approximately, 36.1, 36.3, 35.7 and 36.1 ounces for a total of a bit over 9 pounds.

Karl indicated this was uncut cocaine and the first time he had seen it in such a rectangular shape, and compacted as it was and it was book shaped. As is, he estimated the value on the Mississippi Gulf Coast at \$80-\$100,000.

Butler was lodged in the Hancock County Criminal



Narcotics officers this week seized these four packages, which they say contain about four kilos of pure cocaine, with an estimated street value of around \$100,000 in its current condition. Had the cocaine been processed into a more manageable form, its value could have increased up to two or three times.

Justice Facility in lieu of a \$100,000 bond, and efforts to seize the vehicle are underway too, Karl said.

## Master Clothing Volunteers Basic Training classes offered in Jackson Co.

The Mississippi State University Extension Service is once again conducting a basic training for anyone who is interested in sharing their knowledge and love of sewing with others. This training will be held in the Jackson County Extension Office in Pascagoula on three consecutive Mondays in February: February 9, 16, and 23, 2004, from 8:00 to 5:00. Participants will receive thirty hours of training through a combination of lecture, demonstrations, discussion and hands-on experience. Training topics cover teaching techniques, program planning and implementation, resource development, sewing techniques, current products and resources.

Some remember how our grandmothers, mothers, home economics teacher, or extension home economist taught us how to repair that zipper, hem that dress, or how to sew on that button

correctly. Sadly those times are gone and these lessons are not being taught. Master Clothing Volunteers help reach those who do not have the opportunity to learn the basics of sewing.

Throughout the year MCV members receive updates on consumer economics and sewing information. Becoming a member of a working team provides a valuable service to the people of the community. Other benefits to Master Clothing Volunteers include gaining work experience, developing skills in teaching adults and/or youth and working effectively with groups. One of the greatest rewards of the program is the development of leadership skills. MCV members gain confidence and experience success throughout all facets of the program. Currently there are over 100 MCV members throughout the state.

The Master Clothing Volunteer member has com-

pleted 30 hours of training and given back 40 hours of training by sharing his/her skills and knowledge with others. Registration fee to become a Master Clothing Volunteer is \$50.00 with a return of \$15.00 after he/she fulfills the return hours. This Master Clothing Volunteer program is another outlet for extending the education of the Mississippi State University Extension Service into your local communities.

How does one apply? Call or go by your local county office of the Mississippi State University Extension Service and ask for the Master Clothing Volunteer application form. Questions? Contact Marilyn Bailey, Area Leadership Development Agent, at 228-467-5456 for more information. Mississippi State University does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, or veteran status.

## Gaits to Success annual meeting

Instructors from Gaits to Success Inc. will attend the annual meeting of the Louisiana Therapeutic Riding Association in Baton Rouge on Jan. 24 and 25.

Gaits, which operates out of a stable in Kiln, offers the only therapeutic horseback-riding program for the handicapped in South Mississippi. Workshop sessions will include

endoscopy/treadmill work, leading into what horses to accept for therapeutic riding; sensory integration in a therapeutic riding setting; volunteer management; board governance, and the short-term effects of back riding on horses. There will also be a session on people who have been through severe trauma and are participating in therapeutic

riding. Gaits participants in the Louisiana meeting are Carolyn Rhodes, Kathleen Mosteller, Jami Sizelove, Barbara Kaiser, Clare Hanson and Beth Benvenuti.

Joann Mix, a therapist from Memorial Hospital at Gulfport who has volunteered to work with Gaits, also will attend.

## Quake -- not really

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Civil Defense Kelli Hamilton. Several state agencies are looking into the event said Hamilton Wednesday morning.

"We don't know what it was," said Hamilton. "We have called everyone we can think of, NASA, DuPont DeLisle, even a small explosive factory in the area and none were doing anything that could have caused it. We are notified when these places are performing activities that could cause something like this."

The Earth Quake Center reported no seismic activity in the area yesterday.

At first, Hamilton said, many people thought that NASA was performing a rocket engine test. The Space Center did perform an engine test on

Wednesday afternoon around 3 p.m.

Hamilton said that the Mississippi Emergency Management Agency and the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality are concerned and looking into the cause.

Locals reported pictures moving on the walls, being almost knocked off their feet by the movement, houses shaking, windows rattling and a loud boom.

Apparently people in most areas of Bay St. Louis felt nothing, Hamilton said. Reports came from near the border of Bay St. Louis and Waveland, but none from most areas of the Bay.

One Harrison County resident Deborah Dauner, who lives near DeLisle, said that at first she thought

that someone had run into their home. The chandelier and Mardi Gras beads she had hanging up were swaying and the whole house moved, Dauner said.

"We felt something like this about a year ago, she said, but this was different, lasting longer and the rumbling came from deep under the ground. Dauner said she also heard a loud boom and felt an energy wave in the air.

"It was like plastic hitting your face, she said.

Dauner said security vehicles from DuPont and Harrison County Sheriff's Department vehicles were all over the area after the event.

She said her sister in the Carriere area didn't feel anything.

## Pot -- busted

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Karl said.

"Whitney M. Smith, 22, Pearl River County was charged with alleged possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance. A set of scales and small empty bags were found in the vehicle too. Smith's bond was set at \$30,000.

Responding to assist Deputy Dear were Lt. Danny Gilkerson and Wild Life & Fisheries Agent Kevin Carlisle.

Lt. Gilkerson said Dear did a 'good job' in making the arrest.

Agents estimated the street value of the marijuana at approximately \$1200.

On Tuesday an unrelated marijuana case, following an investigation of several days, a Tamborella Street resident was arrested and charged with the alleged growing and cultivation of marijuana at his residence, Karl reported.

Karl, Agents Johnny Alison and Malley and Lt. Ron Borja served a search warrant on the 7105 Tamborella St., Bay St. Louis address, Agent Alison who is leading the investigation said.

Initial investigation led to acquiring enough evi-



Hancock County Buffer Zone Deputy displays packets of marijuana his investigation led to during the arrest of a Pearl River County residence on Sunday.

dence to secure the search warrant.

Agents got word the owner was out of town and contacted him, as they found 33 plants growing in a lighted bedroom locker.

Robert Davis, 50, later Tuesday, turned himself in at the Hancock County Criminal Justice Facility and his bond was set at \$20,000, Karl reported Wednesday.

## BSL Babe Ruth Baseball registration

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The Bay St. Louis Babe Ruth Baseball League will conduct registration for children ages 4 through 15 years during February and March. Registration will be held at the Bay St. Louis baseball complex on

Athletic Drive on the following dates, Wednesday, February 18th between 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday, March 3rd between 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; Monday, March 8th between 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; and Wednesday,

March 10th between 5:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Anyone interested in serving as a coach should also register during any of these times.

For additional information contact Kelly Cannon 467-2323 or Ronnie Artigues 466-9375.

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## St. Stanislaus plans 150th Birthday Celebration



The Benjy Davis Project

### Celebration scheduled Jan. 30 at SSC

St. Stanislaus College will celebrate its 150th Birthday Celebration on Friday, Jan. 30, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, principal.

The day will begin with an abbreviated schedule of classes. The students, faculty, and staff will have a special lunch at 12:30, followed at 1:30 p.m. with a celebration in the Brother Peter Gymnasium.

The celebration will begin with an introduction by Brother Ronald Talbot, SC, president of Saint Stanislaus, and a special concert performance by The Benjy Davis Project will fol-

low. At the conclusion of the concert, birthday cake will be served.

The Benjy Davis Project is a group of six young men from Baton Rouge.

They've toured the US with various national and international acts that overlap genres from jam and folk rock to blues and zydeco.

The songs have a timeless, universal feel to them reflecting real life experiences and a vulnerability easily related to by their generation, yet expressing feelings that everyone can relate to. Their enthusiastic audiences embody the full range of the age spectrum.

The Project consists of singer/songwriter/acoustic guitarist Benjy Davis, who attended Saint Stanislaus as a sophomore, bassist Brett Bolden, drummer Mic Capdevielle, vocalist/keyboardist/harmonica player Michael Galasso, lead guitarist Jonathan Lawhun and vocalist/violinist Anthony Rushing.

St. Stanislaus College is a Catholic residency and day school for young men in grades sixth through 12th.

The school fosters character formation and integrates faith development within a curriculum which is primarily college preparatory.

## St. Paul Catholic School schedules po-boy, seafood dinner fund-raisers

St. Paul Carnival Association team of Ken Austin and Kem Planchard are continuing their fund-raising activities on behalf of St. Paul Catholic School.

The next two functions are a po-boy sale and seafood dinner.

On Wednesday, Jan. 28, Pirate's Cove will be preparing Po-Boys for the team. Ham and cheese or roast beef po-boys will be sold for \$6 each. Po-boys

must be pre-ordered by 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26. On Wednesday, Jan. 28, po-boys may be picked up for lunch from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. or for dinner from 3 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Pick up is at the St. Paul Catholic School Gym at 151 E. Scenic Drive in Pass Christian (delivery is available for orders of 10 or more). To order, call 452-7359 or fax order to 452-1277.

On Saturday, Jan. 31,

the team will hold a Seafood Dinner beginning at 6 p.m. in the St. Paul Catholic School gym at 151 E. Scenic Drive in Pass Christian.

In addition to great seafood dinners, there will be a silent auction and family entertainment.

All proceeds from these events benefit St. Paul's Catholic School. Everyone is welcome.

For additional information, call 228-452-7359.

## Meeting at Lockheed to assist in creation of Earth Model

BY RUSSELL H. BEARD  
Chief Scientist  
NOAA National Coastal Data Development Center

NOAA's National Coastal Data Development Center in conjunction with NASA's Earth Science Applications Directorate, the Naval Oceanographic Office and the Mississippi Enterprise for Technology will host the next Mississippi Geographic Information Systems and Remote Sensing Technical Users Group meeting at the Stennis Lockheed Metrology Service Laboratories PIC Conference Room on Jan. 28 between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Other state organizations involved include the Mississippi Automated Resource Information System and the Mississippi Association of Spatial Technologies. The conference will develop potential partnerships and venues for data, technology, and services exchange between federal and state agencies along with commercial vendors

to assist in the creation of the Mississippi Digital Earth Model.

In 2003, the Legislature of the state of Mississippi created "the Mississippi Coordinating Council for Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems." The council sets standards, enforces policies and creates opportunities for cost-sharing arrangements in acquiring remotely sensed data and geographic information systems (GIS). Members include various state, county, local, non-governmental agencies, and advisors. Seven core geographic data layers have been identified for the initial build of the MDEM: Geodetic control; Elevation and Bathymetry; Orthoimagery; Hydrography; Transportation; Government boundaries; and Cadastral.

NASA's Stennis Space Center (SSC), Bay St. Louis is home to federal and state agencies, academic institutions, and commercial vendors that specialize in remote sens-

ing collections from both space and air flight. Associated Stennis partners develop and use leading edge technologies in GIS data development, access, delivery, and storage capabilities. Stennis partners include NASA's Earth Science Applications Directorate, NOAA's National Coastal Data Development Center, the Naval Oceanographic Office, University of Southern Mississippi's Hydrographic Science Research Center, and the Mississippi Enterprise for Technology to name several SSC residents. Additionally, nearby Ocean Springs is home to the University of Southern Mississippi's Gulf Coast Geospatial Center where data and GIS technologies are being developed to better understand the environment of coastal Mississippi. Stennis Space Center is a valuable asset for the state of Mississippi's efforts in the development and creation of the MDEM with regards to data, GIS services, technology, and remote sensing.

## SSC to host Alumni Reunion

St. Stanislaus College will host its Annual Alumni Reunion Jan. 24, for all alumni of St. Stanislaus College, according to Brother Ronald Hingle, SC, principal.

The graduating classes of 1934, 1944, 1954, 1964, 1974, 1979, 1984, and 1994 will be honored. The festivities will begin with an open house from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. on the campus of St. Stanislaus College. A vigil Mass honoring the Golden Jubilarians will be celebrated in the Student Chapel at 5:30 p.m. A fully catered reception will begin at 7 p.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf's Community Center.

For more information or to make a reservation, please contact the Alumni Office of St. Stanislaus College at 228-467-9057 ext. 226.

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## Obituaries

**CARMEL JEANFREAU**  
**LEESA LADNER**  
**CHARLES MCAVOY III**  
**CHANCE SEYMOUR**  
**JAMES SMITH**  
**MARVIN WELLS**



**CARMEL JEANFREAU**  
 Carmel Mouldous Jeanfreau of Lakeshore, MS died on Tuesday, January 20, 2004 at the age of 78.

She was a lifelong resident of the Mississippi Gulf Coast. She pursued her love of cooking in Lakeshore, MS as owner of Carmels Seafood.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Mouldous, brother, Michele Mouldous and her husband Wallace V. Jeanfreau.

She is survived by her seven children, Margie Lenfant Amason of Poplarville, MS; John L. Lenfant IV of Mandeville, LA; Jerry Lenfant of Waveland, MS; Micki Lenfant Perniciaro of Bay St. Louis, MS; Melanie Lenfant Karetas of Las Vegas, NV; Shelli Jeanfreau Ladner of Perkinston, MS and Bunni Jeanfreau Ladner of Bay St. Louis, MS; her sister, Mary Alice Ladner of Bay St. Louis, MS; brothers, Roy Mouldous of Slidell, LA; Alex Mouldous of Gretna, LA. She is also survived by her 20 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

A Visitation will be held on Friday, January 23, 2004 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Lakeshore, MS from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in St. John's Cemetery in Lakeshore, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

### LEESA LADNER

Leesa Wilkerson Ladner, 40, of Dedeaux Community died Monday, Jan. 19, 2004 in Kiln.

She was born on Jan. 27, 1963, in Albertville, Ala., and was a resident of Hancock County since 1984. She was a graduate of Alexandria High School in Alabama. She was of the Baptist faith and a member of Catahoula Baptist Church in Catahoula

Community.

She is survived by her husband, James Bradford "Brad" Ladner of Kiln; son, Caleb F. Ladner of Kiln; parents, Joe and Rosena Wilkerson Jr.; two brothers, Tommy Wilkerson of Oxford, Ala., and Shane Wilkerson of Alexandria, Ala.; and a sister, Vickie Rivers of Phenix City, Ala.

Visitation was held Wednesday, Jan. 21, at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The prayer service will be on Thursday, Jan. 22, at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Interment will follow at Gulf Coast Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum in Bay St. Louis. The family prefers donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

### CHARLES MCAVOY III

Charles DuBoise McAvoy III, 75, of Waveland died January 17, 2004.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA and a longtime resident of Waveland, MS. He was of the Catholic Faith. He was a Veteran serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Catherine Frances Barth McAvoy.

Survived by Betty Martin of Waveland, MS; Yvonne Sallinger of Bay St. Louis, MS and Debbie Brian.

A visitation will be held Thursday, January 22, 2004 from 1-2 p.m. with Prayer Services at 2 p.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. Burial will be private.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



### CHANCE SEYMOUR

Chance Samuel Davis Seymour, 9, of Bay St. Louis died Friday, Jan. 16, 2004, in Bay St. Louis.

Chance was in the fourth grade at Gulfview Elementary School in Lakeshore. He played baseball in the Bay St. Louis Little League and basketball for the Lakeshore Booster Club.

Survivors include his father, Samuel Seymour; his mother, Judy Davis; and his sister, Courtney Davis, all of Bay St. Louis.

Visitation was held

Wednesday, Jan. 21, at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, in the funeral home chapel, followed by burial in Garden of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.



### JAMES SMITH

James "Paul" Smith, 70, of Waveland died Monday, January 19, 2004, in Waveland.

He was born October 4, 1933 in Russellville, AR and a longtime resident of Waveland, MS. He was a Veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Bay St. Louis, MS. He retired from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services and then opened Paul Smith Insurance Agency along with his son. He was an American Legion Former Scoutmaster for Troop 208 in Bay St. Louis, a member of the American Fisheries Society and a graduate of Oklahoma State University and also attended Auburn University.

He is preceded in death by his son, Michael Peter Smith, and his parents, Roy & Alta Smith.

He is survived by his wife Jeanne Smith of Waveland, two sons, Mark Smith of Diamondhead, MS and Michael Roy Smith of Owensboro, KY. He is also survived by his brother William Jerry Smith of Monticello, AR.

A visitation will be held on Friday, January 23, 2004 at Main Street United Methodist Church from 10:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The Prayer service will be held at 11:00 a.m. and interment will follow in Garden of Memory Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers family requests Memorials be given to Main Street United Methodist Church Book of Remembrance, 162 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.

### MARVIN WELLS

Marvin A. Woods Wells, 9, of Pass Christian died January 19, 2004. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 23, at Lockett-Williams Mortuary. Services will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24, at Goodwill Baptist Church in Pass Christian.

## Entire blood banking industry experiencing critical shortage

Coast Radio Group sponsors a Red Cross blood drive to help save lives

For more information call the Red Cross at 896-2217 about giving blood, please.

The entire blood banking industry is experiencing a critical shortage of blood here on the Coast and around the country. Some hospitals in our country have had to cancel elective surgeries, cancer and leukemia patients have had to wait for their blood transfusions and the nations' blood supply would be hard pressed to support an increase in demand for blood should a significant crisis arise.

You can help ease this dangerous situation by giving blood through the American Red Cross on Thursday, January 29th from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at the studios of the Coast Radio Group. Coast 102, Kicker 108, Classic Rock Z 95.3 and WROA will team for the first time to host a blood drive at their studios. All stations are urging citizens to give blood so that patients in our community will be able to receive what they need, when they need it. The Coast Radio Group studios are located on Lorraine-Cowan Road and Industrial Seaway in Gulfport. All donors will receive a special National Volunteer Blood Donor Month t-shirt as a thank you for giving blood in January.

All types are needed but there is an emergency need for types O Positive, O Negative, B Positive and B Negative. These types are currently at less than a one-day supply.

To donate blood you must be 17 years old or older, weigh at least 110 pounds, have not given blood in the past 56 days and be in good health. Most medications will not prevent you from being a blood donor.

If you can help save a life during this very challenging time, please call Coast Radio Group at 896-5500 to add your name to the list of hometown heroes who will roll up their sleeves on January 29th.

### Waveland Little League registration going on 'til Feb. 29

Waveland Little League will be having registration for baseball. Boys and Girls age 5-14 from now until February 29. Also taking applications for coaches and umpires. Please contact Lloyd Ernest 467-4406 or Jason Allen 547-4457 for times and locations.

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## Krewe of Real People set to take off on a 'Fantastic Voyage' ball

**THE SEA COAST ECHO**  
 Krewe of Real People would like to announce their upcoming 23rd annual Mardi Gras Ball, to be held on February 7, 2004, at the Hancock County Civic Center.

The theme selected for 2004 is "FANTASTIC VOYAGE" (Tropical Places - Friendly Faces). The IKORP's ship, Fantasy Celebration, will cruise across the Gulf of Mexico on

its maiden voyage to the Royal Caribbean. The cost of this grand journey is \$15.00 round trip (port charges included).

To board without advance ticket, the charge will be \$25.00 (duty free). Tickets are on sale now.

Please purchase your tickets early, for there is a limited amount available, to prevent overcrowding.

For ticket information contact the Cruise Director,

Ms Connie Payne Lampley at 467-2247 or the Ship Commander, Mrs. Dianne Frederick at 493-3827.

There will be musical entertainment on the Promenade Deck and on the Riviera Deck.

The "Fantasy Dancers" will also be performing for your entertainment pleasure. Come take a ride on this Fantastic Voyage!

Tropical attire is encouraged.

## Krewe of Nereids parade is Feb. 15

The annual Krewe of Nereids parade is scheduled to roll on Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. The parade will follow its traditional route on Hwy. 90 in Waveland. Those interested in entering the parade can obtain an applica-

tion at the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce in Bay St. Louis, MS. Participants must show proof of insurance before riding. For more, contact Janette at 831-5689 or Doloris Richmond at 467-9057.



# Business News

## Clark issues list of 'Top 10 Investment Scams'

### THE SEA COAST ECHO

Secretary of State Eric Clark last week released a list of the nation's "Top Ten Investment Scams" and cautioned Mississippians to investigate before they invest.

The list is compiled based on a survey of state securities regulators conducted by the North American Securities Administrators Association. In Mississippi, Clark's office regulates securities dealers, investment advisors, and other investment professionals.

"Investors face an increasingly complex maze of scams, schemes and scandals," said Clark. "Every year, con-artists discover new ways to fleece the public. Sadly, many of the age-old scams still work to cheat victims of their hard-earned savings as well. It pays to remember that if an investment opportunity sounds too good to be true, it usually is."

Clark noted that some scams are new to the annual list: mutual fund practices, senior investment fraud, and variable annuities.

Top 10 List of Scams, Schemes and Scandals:

1. **PONZI SCHEMES.** A perennial favorite among con-artists. The premise is simple; promise high returns to investors and use money from previous investors to pay new investors. Inevitably, the schemes collapse and the only people who consistently make money are the promoters who set the scheme in motion.

In 2003, Clark's office and the U.S. Attorney's Office worked together on a \$10 million Ponzi scheme which resulted in guilty pleas in federal court from a Memphis attorney and a Jackson securities dealer. The federal indictment charged the pair with 58 counts of investment fraud. The scheme involved recruiting 41 investors, most retired Mississippians, to pool their money to raise the \$10 million investment. The investors were told their principal was "guaranteed" and that they would receive returns of 1.5% to 2.5% per month with no risk. Money from later investors was used to pay earlier investors.

2. **SENIOR FRAUD.** Volatile stock markets, low interest rates, rising health care costs, and increasing life expectancy, combined to create a perfect climate for investment fraud against senior investors. Clark said older investors are targeted with increasingly complex investment scams involving unregistered securities, promissory notes, charitable gift annuities, viatical settlements, and Ponzi schemes all promising inflated returns.

3. **PROMISSORY NOTES.** A long-time member of the "Top 10" list, these short-term debt instruments often are sold by independent insurance agents and issued by little known or non-existent companies promising high returns - upwards of 15 percent monthly - with little or no risk. When interest rates are low, investors often are lured by the higher, fixed returns that promissory notes offer. These notes, however, can become vehicles for fraud when the issuer of the note has no intention or capability of ever delivering the returns promised by the sales person.

In November, Clark's office issued an order against an Amory man for selling \$45,000 of unregistered promissory notes to a retired Smithville woman.

4. **UNSCRUPULOUS BROKERS.** Despite the stock market's rebound in 2003, state securities regulators say they are still receiving a high level of complaints from investors of brokers cutting corners or resorting to outright fraud to fatten their wallets.

In 2001, Clark's office investigated a Jackson broker who had absconded with almost \$800,000 of his client's money, depositing most of it into his personal account. Ultimately, the broker pled guilty to criminal charges and the investors got their money back.

5. **AFFINITY FRAUD.** Con artists know that its only human nature to trust people who are like yourself. That's why scammers often use their victim's religious or ethnic identity to gain their trust and then steal their life savings.

In Mississippi, the

Secretary of State's Office has taken action against a man who targeted fellow church members to invest with him in the commodities market. Most lost everything they invested.

6. **INSURANCE AGENTS AND OTHER UNLICENSED SECURITIES SELLERS.** While most independent insurance agents are honest professionals, too many are lured by high commissions into selling fraudulent or high-risk investments, such as promissory notes, ATM and payphone investment contracts and viatical settlements. Clark reminds investors that any person offering a security as an investment must be registered with the Secretary of State's Office.

7. **PRIME BANK SCHEMES.** Another perennial favorite of con artists who promise investors triple-digit returns through access to the investment portfolios of the world's elite banks. The negative publicity attached to these schemes has caused promoters in recent cases to avoid explicitly referring to prime banks.

8. **INTERNET FRAUD.** With the Internet becoming a common part of daily life for increasing numbers of people, it should be no surprise that con artists have made cyberspace a prime hunting ground for victims. Internet fraud has become a booming business. The most recent figures show Internet frauds cost Americans \$122 million in 2002, according to the Federal Trade Commission.

9. **MUTUAL FUND BUSINESS PRACTICES.** Approximately 95 million Americans are mutual fund shareholders. Today, however, the trading practices of many mutual fund companies are the subject of intense scrutiny from state securities regulators, the Securities and Exchange Commission, and the National Association of Securities Dealers.

10. **VARIABLE ANNUITIES.** Sales of variable annuities have increased dramatically over the past decade, but many investors aren't being told about high surrender charges and the steep sales commissions. Some investors also are misled with claims of guaranteed returns when variable annuity returns actually are vulnerable to the volatility of the stock market. The benefits of variable annuities - tax-deferral, death benefits among others - come with strings attached and additional costs. High commissions often are the driving force for sales of variable annuities. Often pitched to seniors through investment seminars, regulators say these products are unsuitable for many retirees. "Variable annuities make sense only for consumers willing to invest for 10 years or longer, but they are not suitable for many retirees who cannot afford to lock up their money for a long time," Clark said.

In 2003, Clark's office issued a notice of intent to revoke the registration of a Starkville securities dealer for selling unsuitable variable annuities. Additionally, Clark's office found that in

more than a hundred transactions, the dealer or his assistant signed customer's names to documents in violation of state and federal regulations.

To learn more about common scams and how you can protect your money, visit NASAA's website:

www.nasaa.org. Before making an investment or doing business with a stock broker or investment at franchise promoter, call the Secretary of State's Office to find out if they are properly registered or have a disciplinary history. When checking out a stockbroker, ask for their CRD record, which gives their employment and disciplinary history. The Secretary of State's phone number is 601-359-1633. NASAA can be reached at 202-737-0900.

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## Taylor supports shrimp industry

U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor recently announced he has signed on to a letter in support for the recent antidumping petitions filed against imported shrimp that has been dumped into the American market. The letter will be sent to U.S. Secretary of Commerce Donald Evans for his consideration.

The dumped shrimp is having an adverse effect on U.S. shrimp harvesters and processors. In 2000, the U.S. shrimp harvest was valued at \$1.25 billion. By 2002 the shrimp harvest value fell by over 50 percent, valued at \$559 million. This is directly related to the large amount of foreign shrimp that has flooded the industry. The average dock-side price for shrimp dropped from \$6.08 to \$3.30 per pound.

Employment levels of U.S. Shrimp processors dropped by over 40 percent during that same time period. Due to restrictions and tariffs of other countries

that foreign shrimp exports face, the U.S. is targeted as the easiest market for these shrimp to get into. This not only has the obvious devastating effect on the domestic industry, but also makes us the recipient of a large quantity of shrimp with questionable health quality. Japan and the EU have imposed health requirements on imported shrimp after detecting contaminants such as chloramphenicol and nitrofurans. Up until 2003, the U.S. tolerated dangerous chemical levels in shrimp up to 500 times higher than the EU standard. This matter must be investigated to ensure both the quality of the product that comes into America and fair competition within the industry. I am glad to support this effort in the fight for our shrimp industry. I pray that Secretary Evans will listen to the concerns of hardworking Americans and consider what is in the best interest of our country's industry.

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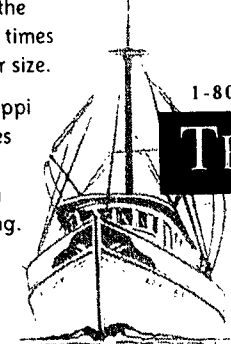
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# USM Dixie Darlings ring in New Year in London

*Alumnae joined current dancers for spectacular British occasion, parade*

The University of Southern Mississippi Dixie Darlings of Hattiesburg flew the flag on Jan. 1 at a treasured traditional British celebration — The New Year's Day Parade in London.

Excitement mounted as the group lined up with more than 7,500 performers, from a dozen nations, to give London a lift at the turn of the year.

Hundreds of thousands of spectators, and a mammoth television audience witnessed the streets of central London fill with color, music and merriment.

As Big Ben (The Palace of Westminster's famous bell) struck noon, the group of current Dixie Darlings and Dixie Darling Alumnae took their place for the momentous street spectacular which passed prestigious, historical sites, such as Westminster Abbey,

Downing Street, Trafalgar Square, Piccadilly Circus and The Ritz Hotel.

As well as taking part in the New Year's Day Parade and performing in front of massive crowds, the group enjoyed a richly educational and enjoyable stay in London.

They met other people from a myriad of countries, visited historic sites such as

Windsor Castle, Stonehenge, The Roman Baths, Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwick Castle and even took in a West End show.

The group received a special invitation from Lord Chamberlain to view the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace inside the courtyard gates.

Each member of the group was presented with a commemorative medal, photograph and T-shirt before returning to their homes in Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia and California.

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Dixie Darlings Alumnae: Dee Ervine, Carolyn Goodall, Lady Dell Martin, Sarah Farris, Rosemary Myrick, Kay McCrary, Judy Horn, Sylvia Henington, Patsy Richardson, Alma Wohlhueter, Jocelyn Turnbough, Yvette McCabe, Gwen Vanderfin, Nancy Letort, Wink Cunningham, Anne Larman, Pat Mason, Ann Sharp, Charla Maltre, Susan Whitfield, Tracy

Ott-Smith (current Dixie Darling director) Current Dixie Darlings: Kathryn Gray, Megan Lee, Priscilla Austin, Les-Leigh Friedmann, Leanne Miller, Amanda Rabalais, Mandi Magill, Kristin Harris, Jennifer Cornette, Stephanie Severns, Emily Koppersmith, Tiffany Bird, Brandi Sharpe

## Bay artists, Echo staff writer win big at annual Alpha Awards

The Fashion Group International Alpha Regional conference recently held its 18th annual awards ceremony in New Orleans.

Bay Saint Louis designer Carter Church swept the design competition receiving 14 awards in couture, bridal, carnival king or queen, court costume and carnival accessories categories.

Church was the first male regional member selected to join the Fashion Group International, a global non-profit organization of fashion industry professionals with over 7,000 members in the area of interior design, hair design, modeling, fashion writing costume and fashion design worldwide.

In 1993, Church received the Lifetime Achievement Award for his contributions to the fashion industry. This award joined the over 100 previous awards given to Church for his design work over the last 18 years.

The public will be able to view many of Church's designs when his new Mardi Gras Court Exhibit opens at the Hancock County Welcome Center this month featuring royalty, captain and court costumes.

"I have loved Mardi Gras since infancy and to do what I love in a city that I love and to be recognized for my contributions is exhilarating and humbling," said Church when discussing his new awards.

Bay Clay Studio master potter and metalworker, Talle Johnson, was awarded an Alpha in the interior design category award for

his pottery and iron baptismal font created for St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church. The font is placed where the waters of the Jordan River, depicted in stained glass, appear to flow directly into the large bowl. The impressive artwork of St. Rose has become as renowned as its gospel choir.

"The baptismal font was one of the first large pieces fired in our studio's large, roll-in gas kiln and forging, bending and designing the metal stand for the font to be in keeping with the flow of water was an exciting and challenging process for me as an artist and for the capabilities of our studio," said Johnson.

The Bay Clay Studio is an arts partnership studio with the city of Bay Saint Louis Division of Cultural Affairs. Johnson is the artistic director who teaches, hosts open studio time for both amateur and professional potters and continues the city's Teaching the Teacher program.

Johnson won a second award in interior design for a handcrafted staircase railing for a local private home. The railing is crafted from metal and assorted car parts to span a light of stairs in the private garage, home to two antique cars and two antique pickup trucks.

Sea Coast Echo staff writer Bennie Shallbetter received a silver award for her fashion print article featuring costume designer Carter Church during the 2003 Mardi Gras design season.

Her front-page photograph and story on Church, focused not only on Church's talent; but the city's good fortune in hav-

ing him choose Bay Saint Louis for his home and business. Shallbetter is the first local writer to have their work entered and recognized in Alpha competition.

"How lucky can one city

get," asked Mayor Eddie Favre. "New Orleans may be the city that care forgot, but Bay Saint Louis is the one where art and artists thrive. I am so proud of these three local artists who year after year

contribute to the quality of life in the Bay, its good reputation for being a home for the art and artists; and who continue to give the beauty of the city much of the credit for their artistic inspira-

tions."

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# Community

## Child's Play

Gulf Coast Toy Library makes everyday life more accessible

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

People with special needs on the Mississippi Gulf Coast have access to a world of opportunities thanks to the folks at the Toy Library and Technology Center at the Gulf Coast campus of the University of Southern Mississippi in Long Beach.

The center offers everything from adaptive toys, to adaptive computer hardware and software, to adaptive fishing equipment, golf, tennis and beach wheel chairs, and more.

Teachers, parents and individuals are all welcome to explore what the center has to offer.

Last week North Hancock Elementary School teachers Marcia Longo and Tracy Tumas and their teacher assistants Mona Ladner and Michelle Tebo took their special needs pre-kindergarten classes on a field trip to the center.

The group was there to check out some new adaptive computer software and hardware and of course to have fun at the center's adaptive playground. With the help of the staff, center director Sarah Jackson, program director Dena White, recreation coordinator Holly Patterson and student assistants, the children spent an afternoon of creative play and learning.

Teachers were able to watch as children tried hands on the various adaptive controls, keyboards, touch screens and several variations of the mouse. Software assisted the children in improving language skills, communication skills, cognitive development, adaptive behavior and more, said Longo. And of course, a field trip is always great for socialization, she said.

Longo is no stranger to the benefits of the Toy Library.

Last year she worked with homebound special needs children and was able to arrange for the children and their parents to visit the Library to try out



Hancock North Central Elementary School student Samantha Lee tries out some of the play equipment in the adaptive playground at TLC. The slide is wheelchair accessible.

adaptive equipment for home use. Parents and teachers are able to try out the equipment and then check it out to take home.

This allows people to try out the sometimes expensive devices before deciding to make a purchase for themselves.

The library can also sometimes order additional equipment for parents if we don't have what they need, said White.

"Technology for special needs is such a rapid growth area that it is very difficult for classroom teachers to stay on top of new developments," said Jackson. "The Toy Library serves as a local consultant to teachers and schools about technology applications for special needs. At TLC teachers can try out technologies with their students to test the effective-

ness before making an expensive purchase. The staff research the latest developments ... and can tailor the information to exact needs."

Equipment activated by a slight touch, a tilt of the head, a sip, or even a puff of breath bring new possibilities to even severely challenged individuals. Communication devices can be programmed to speak for those who can't talk: environmental control devices can bring independence by giving individuals the ability to control appliances, radios, stereos, lights and even air-conditioning with the flip of a switch or the press of a button. Anything is possible at the Library.

Recreational equipment allows individuals to enjoy a range of activities from bowling to biking to swimming. Recently added equipment includes two new hand operated bicycles and adaptive sea kayaks. The kayaks will be stored at Da Beach House in Bay St. Louis.

"There are so many exciting recreation opportunities for people who use wheel chairs if they have the right equipment," said Jackson.

"TLC wants to be sure that everyone has the opportunity to participate in sports and recreation because it is important for a healthy life."

TLC lends all its equipment free of charge. For more information contact the center at 228-867-2636.

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Student assistant Alberia Sanders demonstrates one of the new adaptive bicycles which are recent additions to the Toy Library and Technology Center at the Gulf Coast Campus at University of Southern Mississippi in Long Beach.

## Japanese painted fern takes top 2004 honors

The Perennial Plant Association has been one of the hardest working and innovative promotional organizations in the country. They keep you on your toes because you never know whether the winner will be a flower, grass, or in this year's case, a fern.

The Perennial Plant Association has named *Athyrium niponicum* Pictum the 2004 Perennial Plant of the Year. This perennial low-maintenance Japanese painted fern is one of the showiest ferns for shade gardens.



### Southern Gardening

by Norman Winter  
MSU Horticulturist

It is popular due to its hardiness nearly everywhere in the United States, except in the desert and northernmost areas in zone 3. In Mississippi gardens it has become one of the showiest shade plants.

Pictum grows 18 inches tall and can multiply into a

clump that is more than 2 feet wide. Pictum produces 12- to 18-inch fronds that are a soft shade of metallic silver-gray with hints of red and blue.

This lovely fern, which prefers partial to full shade, makes an outstanding combination plant for adding

color, texture and habit to landscape beds and containers.

The magnificent texture and color of the fronds electrify shady areas of the garden and make the fern a wonderful companion for a variety of shade plants. Japanese painted fern provides a nice contrast to other shade-loving perennials such as host, heather and other ferns.

A popular combination is Japanese painted fern with Patriot and Ginkgo Craig hosts. For something different, try Host sieboldiana Elegans. Another friendly

companion plant for the Japanese painted fern is Tiarella (foam flower), which is also finding its way to Southern gardens including the hybrid with the heather called heuchera.

One of the most unique possibilities is to use this fern with sedges. Carex (sedges) are shade-loving, easy-to-grow, grasslike plants. Try Carex morrowii Variegata or Carex siderosticta Silver Sceptre.

Other selections that are excellent compliments to

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## USCG to host fishing safety fair

Coast Guard aims to help 'one of America's most dangerous' jobs

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The Coast Guard, in cooperation with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (DMR) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is scheduled to sponsor a commercial fishing safety fair at the Pass Christian Harbor, Miss., on Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Commercial fishing has been identified as one of the most dangerous occupations in America. The goal of the fair is to provide fishermen with information not only to make them safer as they ply their trade, but also to keep them legal. This will be accomplished through a variety of demonstrations and activities.

One of the more interesting demonstrations is the damage control trainer. This device gives fishermen the opportunity to try their hand at effecting emergency repairs should their vessel start taking on water. The damage control trainer uses water pressure to simulate a ruptured pipe or hole in the hull. Rain suits will be provided to those brave enough for this undertaking. Fishermen will also be given the opportunity to fire flares just like the ones they are required to carry on their boats. Representatives from Coast Guard Marine Safety Offices Mobile and New Orleans will be on hand to test emergency position indicating radio beacons. EPIRBs are devices that can send a distress signal to satellites, giving rescuers a pinpoint location and other critical information about the boat. There will be static displays of all the equipment required on commercial fishing boats and representatives to answer any questions related to the equipment.

The Coast Guard will have four fishing vessel examiners available to conduct free courtesy inspections both during and after the fair. The Eighth Coast Guard District's Commercial Fishing Vessel Safety Coordinator, Michael White, emphasizes the importance of these inspections on two fronts. "First, they give the fishermen the opportunity to discuss at length safety equipment requirements and safety procedures with the inspectors. Secondly, once the boat has passed the inspection, it is awarded a decal to be displayed on the exterior of the boat."

"Earning the decal brings important benefits to our fishermen. If the boat is kept in the condition that it was in when it was awarded the decal, it is a guarantee that the fishermen will not get a ticket for safety equipment issues," says Petty

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The Sea Coast Echo

# Sports

## Tigers & Rocks gain division wins

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The Bay High Tigers and the St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws both got runaway wins on Tuesday. The Tigers swept the visiting East Central Hornets and the Rocks took the bite out of the Vancleave Bulldogs.

The LadyTigers (17-3, 6-0) opened the night of routs with a 77-31 win. Bay High opened the game with a 17-7 lead that stretched to a 34-19 advantage by the break.

Kendra Reed tallied 26 points to lead all scorers followed by Destiny Porter with 21 points and Felicia Thomas with 13 points.

Bay High Lady Tigers head coach Debbie Triplett commented, "We played better basketball in the second half. Our execution was not up to par in the first half. We travel to Harrison Central on Friday night and that will be a gut check for us at this point in the season."

The Tigers (14-7) ran away from the Hornets in the first period 18-2 before opening the lead to 40-7 by halftime. A physical second half ensued in the Wilmer Seymour Gymnasium as the Tigers made 19 trips to the charity stripe in the fourth period alone.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin stated, "I am very proud of the way the players did not have a let-down after the big win against Gautier last Friday. We knew we had to be ready to play because East Central is a very physical team. They have a couple of players that can get hot and hurt you shooting the ball. Lorenzo Lewis had a solid game against their best offensive player. He held him scoreless until the fourth period."

Lorenzo Lewis led the Tigers with 21 points and 2 steals followed by the steady hand of Marquez

Singleton with 15 points. Brent Robinson played in just the fourth period and scored 10 points for the Tigers. Javon Williams and P.K. Keyes grabbed 6 and 7 rebounds, respectively. Don Coe had 4 steals for the Tigers.

The Lady Tigers will travel to Harrison Central this Friday, Jan. 23, for a game against the traditional 5A power Lady Red Rebels. The Tigers will entertain the Vancleave Bulldogs at home on Tuesday, January 27 before heading to Gautier on Jan. 30.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (17-5, 6-2) had little trouble dispatching the Vancleave Bulldogs on Tuesday night. The Rocks won 79-57.

SSC jumped out to a 50-22 halftime advantage and several bodies in the second half. SSC head coach Jay Ladner commented, "I thought we really responded well following the tough loss on Friday. We played about as well as we could in the first half to set the tempo of the game. We had a plus-10 margin in rebounding, 9 steals and 16 assists in the first half alone. Our focus was much better. We play another division game against D'Iberville on Thursday before playing Biloxi in Hoops Fest on Saturday in the Mississippi Coast Coliseum. We play a very difficult but attractive schedule. These games against non-division opponents such as Biloxi, Gulfport, and Harrison Central help toughen us up for our district schedule."

Mario Faranda led the way for the Rocks with 29 points and 11 rebounds. Rob Murray scored 16 points and 7 assists followed by Darius Acker with 14 points and 4 steals. The Rocks will travel to D'Iberville for a division game against the Warriors on Thursday, January 22.

On Saturday, January 24, the Rocks will play Biloxi in Hoops Fest at 8:30pm.

On Saturday, January 17, the Hancock Hawks basketball program hosted their annual Alumni Day. The festivities began early at 10am with two junior high games, followed by two junior varsity games and, finally, two varsity games.

Hancock Hawks head boys basketball coach and Hancock alum Michael Ladner stated, "The Alumni Day had a good turnout. It seemed as though everyone enjoyed the festivities that we had planned for them. Everyone that came seemed to have enjoyed themselves."

In the varsity games, the Lady Hawks ran past the Lady Greyhounds 87-31 and improved to 15-3 overall and 4-0 in the division.

The Lady Hawks enjoyed a 16-8 lead after the first period and opened the game up by halftime leading 42-19. Brooke Necaise led the team with 26 points and she was perfect from beyond the arc going 4-for-4. Ashley Boehnel and Amanda Arcement scored 13 and 12 points, respectively.

In the boys game, the Greyhounds jumped out early on the young Hawks and Hancock was unable to get in a groove. Tyler Conn nailed shot after shot for Ocean Springs. The Greyhounds led 57-22 at halftime.

Following the varsity games, the alumni took the court for free-throw shooting contests, a three-point contest, and regulation games for the women and men.

In recent soccer action, the OLA Crescents (17-4-1) won Division 8 Class 1A-2A-3A with a 7-0 shutout win over St. John of Gulfport. Rachel Cranford became the school's all-time leading scorer with 110 goals after recording the hat trick. Cranford surpassed Emily Meyers on the all-time list with her goal in the

second half. Meyers is currently playing soccer for the Mississippi State Lady Bulldogs of the Southeastern Conference. Cranford is also just one assist shy of the all-time record of 69 held by Kara Harshbarger. Harshbarger is currently starring for the University of Southern Mississippi of Conference USA.

Meghan Flynt also tallied a hat trick in the game and Ellen Dauteville scored the remaining goal. Annie Giardino recorded the shutout in goal for OLA. In the game, Cranford tallied three assists and Ellen Dauteville had two assists. Amanda Meyers and Margaret Rittner each had one assist.

The Crescents will entertain Newman High School of New Orleans at home on January 23.

St. Stanislaus improved to 17-3-1 and 8-0 on the season with a 5-2 win over Vancleave on January 16. Kody Cannon and Beau Brodtmann each scored twice to lead the Rocks. Sean Olsen posted his 10th shutout of the season in goal.

The Pass Christian Pirates (3-10-0) split a pair of games with the D'Iberville Warriors on Friday night.

The lady Pirates were blanked 7-0 in the division game. In the boys game, however, Jonathan Willis tallied the hat trick to give Pass Christian their third win of the season. Clinton Wallace and Dustin Rushing also scored in the game.

In junior high action, the OLA Crescents remained undefeated at 9-0-1 with a 4-0 shutout win over St. Margaret Mary on January 19. Shelly reboul scored twice for the Crescents while Jennifer Loiacano and Karl Renz each scored once. Shelby Wild tallied three assists and Caitlyn Church had one assist.

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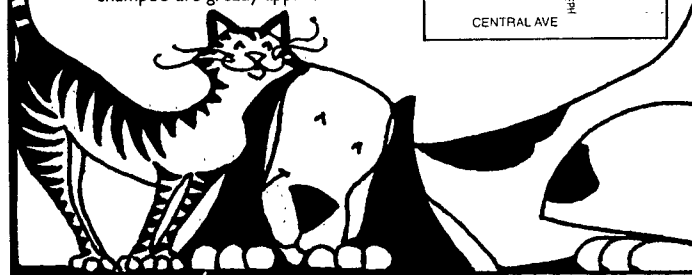
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## SSC 'Old Timers' baseball game set

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws varsity baseball team will sponsor an "Old Timers" game on February 7 at 11 a.m. at the Rock-a-chaw Baseball Field.

All SSC baseball alumni who played prior to the 2000 year are invited to play.

The teams will be divided into "even" and "odd" years of graduation.

All those who are interested in playing or just want to be recognized at the day's festivities, please contact SSC head baseball coach Mark Logan (SSC class of 1986) at 228-467-

9057, extension 533. The alumni who graduated in an "even" year may also contact Ronnie Artigues (SSC class of 1984) at 229-467-5426. The alumni who graduated in an "odd" year may contact Lloyd Nicaud (SSC class of 1989) at 228-467-1749 or 228-323-2506.

Prior to the "Old Timers" game on Feb. 7, there will be a "Meet the Team" gathering for the SSC Middle School team at 10am. Following the "Old Timers" game, the 2004 St. Stanislaus varsity baseball team will conduct a 7-inning intersquad scrimmage at 1 p.m.

## DWGAN results

BY SALLY LINDSLEY

Winners for the following Diamondhead Nines golf events for the month of December were:

December 2-Trophy Day - 1st Flight- Low Gross-Terrie Garrett; Low Net-Sue Campbell; Low Putts-Maureen Holt; 2nd Flight-Low Gross-Lorna Decker; Low Net-Peggy Satterlee; Low Putts-Bettisue Hendrix; 3rd Flight-Low Gross-Shirley Hopes; Low Net-Emilie Abell; Low Putts-Betty Reddock  
Birdie and Chip-in#5-Sue Stevens; Chip-Ins- Carol Perry #3, Diane Ackerman #8,  
December 9- Christmas Luncheon - Rained out, but luncheon was great!

December 16-Poker  
1st Flight-1st-Terrie Garrett; 2nd-Carol Hare; 3rd-Emmy Swink 2nd Flight-1st-Bobbie Sorgenfrei; 2nd-Shirley Hopes; 3rd-Rose Hill  
3rd Flight- 1st-Shirley DeJean; 2nd-Joan Caan; 3rd-Liz Bertucci

Birdie-Clare Chauffe #2  
December 23- No play scheduled  
December 30-No play scheduled

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## 12 cheers for Bay High



Top row, from left: Danielle McKay, Brittany Alleman, Bonnie Myer, Heidi Egloff, Chrissy Labbe and Ashley Ladner. Kneeling, from left: Blair Strong, Celeste Richardson, Felicia Ross, Kayla Russo (Captain), Alexa Smith and Brittany Strong.

## BHS Cheerleaders come close to winning State Title

The Bay High Varsity Cheerleaders recently competed at the MHSAA State cheerleading competition in the Jackson Coliseum on December 13th. The award winning routine landed the squad with the State runner-up title. The twelve member squad consisting of 2 freshmen, 4 sophomores, 5 juniors and 1 senior, received all superior ratings at the regional competition in McComb in November. With the superior ratings, the squad advanced to the state level

competing against the top eight squads in the class 4A division in the state of Mississippi.

The talented squad also received All-Superiors at camp this year, with four members receiving All-Star Status. They were featured in a Fox 25 commercial promoting SEC football, and were recently invited to perform at the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, TN. The Bay High Cheerleading Squad in under the direction of Suzy Gilmore.

## Garden -- fern

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Japanese painted fern include Lamium maculatum Orchid Frost and Purple Dragon. Use these selections with white flowers or variegated leaves to echo or pick other colors for contrast. Most any plant will make a great counterpart to the graceful, attractive and versatile Athyrum niponicum Pictum.

This fern needs a well-drained, compost-rich soil and flourishes where moisture and humidity abound. Pictum grows best in part to

full shade. The best frond color results in light shade. In the South, a few hours of morning sun will bring out the high colors.

Add 2 to 3 inches of compost or peat moss to the beds each spring or fall. This fern is extremely reliable when grown in the proper environmental conditions.

Its colorful foliage should be vibrant from early spring until frost, when it will go dormant and reemerge with its excellent foliage the next

spring.

The Japanese painted fern may be propagated by dividing the clump. It is easy for a homeowner to buy the more colorful and uniform plants in the quantity needed or buy a few and divide the clumps yearly as needed.

A well-grown plant can be separated in early spring into three to four divisions and replanted. Fertilize at one-half the rate of other perennials with an organic or time-release fertilizer.

## Fair -- fish safety

Continued from Page 1B

Officer 1st Class Paul Barnard from Coast Guard Station Gulfport, Miss. "If we are patrolling a fleet of fishing boats we will board those boats without decals before we board those with them."

Both the state and federal government have a role in regulating fisheries. Experts from DMR and NMFS will be available throughout the fair to answer any state or federal law specific ques-

tions or inspect any fishing gear for compliance. A Vietnamese translator will be in attendance to assist with any language barriers.

Local merchants have teamed with the government agencies to provide door prizes to be given to the attendees. The prizes will include offshore and inshore turtle excluder devices, flares, life jackets and other assorted safety equipment.

The public is invited to

attend and the fishing community is urged to participate. "This could literally be a life saving experience for our mariners," said White. "Couple that with a guarantee of not getting a fine and you have definite win-win situation for the fishermen." This is an outdoor event and will be postponed if poor weather is forecast. Call Coast Guard Station Gulfport at (228) 868-3743 with any questions.

## World-wide Seminar coming to Bayou Talla Fellowship

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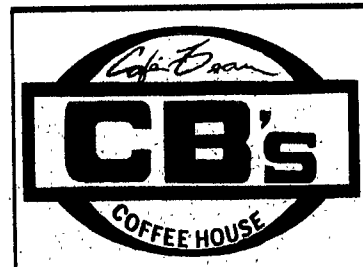
The Seminar defines and illustrates seven universal,

non-optional principles that affect every area of life and every relationship. It explains principles rather than rules, which allow individuals to make wise decisions to avoid failure. It identifies seven daily disciplines that carry God's guarantee of true success for those who practice them.

The cost of the Seminar, including a workbook and textbook, are minimal, and

group rates are available. Also, once you've attended the Seminar you are deemed alumni entitling you to attend any future Seminar at any location, free of charge.

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## Spring enrollment at PRCC reaches record

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Pearl River Community College officials announced that the 2004 spring semester enrollment is the largest in the school's 93-year history. Through the end of late registration Thursday, spring enrollment was up 68 students, including 112 full-time students, to a total of 3,565 students on both the Poplarville and Hattiesburg campuses. That's a 2.09 percent increase over spring enrollment in 2003.

"I commend the PRCC faculty, staff and administrators for their outstanding efforts," said PRCC President William Lewis. "This enrollment increase demonstrates that our efforts to attract and hold students from within our six-county district have been successful."

This news follows record enrollment during the 2003 fall semester, which was up 325 students, or 10 percent, over the 2002 fall semester.

Dr. John Grant, Dean of Academic Affairs, reports that all core classes on both the Poplarville and Hattiesburg campuses are virtually full to capacity. "That includes weekend classes, which we are offering on both campuses," said Grant. "We also have extension classes in Bay St. Louis, Picayune and Columbia, as well as classes at Stennis Space Center."

Spring enrollment at PRCC's Forrest County Center is at 1,149 students, up from 1,034, or 10 percent, from a year ago, and up from 865 in spring 2002, or 25 percent.

According to Dr. Cecil Burt, Director of the Forrest County Center, "This is the most students we've ever had in Hattiesburg in the spring semester," he said. "For the third straight year, we've grown the second semester over the first semester and that's highly unusual. We are having to accommodate the overload, we are adjusting schedules and seeking additional classroom spaces, but we're getting it done. It's a good problem to have."

Burt believes that growth should continue in the future. "We are anticipating additional growth in the fall," he said. "The Forrest County Center is continuing to diversify its academic offerings, and, as we do that, we anticipate additional growth."

Adam Breerwood, dean of student affairs, reported that campus housing for male students is filled with a dozen or so students on the waiting list, while there are a few vacancies for female students.

"Housing is not as criti-

cal an issue in the spring semester as it was in the fall semester when we had long waiting lines," said Breerwood. "Overall, this increase in students is a true indicator of the quality programs that we have at Pearl River. An education here continues to be an economic bargain for our students."

Don Welsh, director of the Poplarville Career-Tech Center, said there were still openings in some programs, including Construction Management Technology; and Brick, Block and Stone Masonry.

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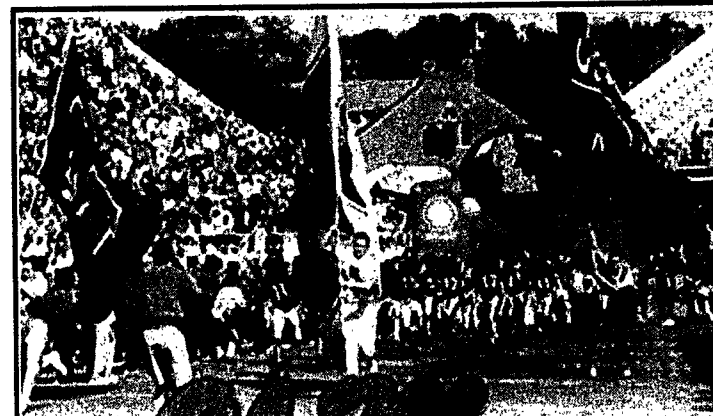
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# Entertainment

## Olde Towne Players debut with 'Laramie Project'

BY NAN EHRBRIGHT  
Contributing Writer

On Oct. 6, 1998, a cyclist found University of Wyoming gay student Matthew Shepard tied to a fence outside Laramie, brutally beaten and unconscious.

Two days later, two young men were arrested on kidnapping, aggravated robbery and attempted murder charges. Shepard never regained consciousness and died on Oct. 12.

The incident thrust the community — a heretofore quiet town of 26,687 people surrounded by prairie and cattle ranches and dotted with fast-food restaurants — into the unrelenting glare of a national media spotlight that changed its name from the "gem city of the plains" to "hate crime capital of America."

In November, 1998, five members of New York City's Tectonic Theatre arrived in Laramie for a year-long study of how the incident affected the town. They interviewed shopkeepers, teachers, students, bartenders, social workers, ministers and other residents.

"The Laramie Project" is the result of those interviews, written by Moises Kaufman in collaboration with the other four members of Tectonic Theatre.

A film of the play was

selected as the opening night premiere for the 2002 Sundance Film Festival.

As Kaufman explains in the play, "This is not about the case. This is about the town: why did this happen here, what are people saying, how do they feel and think about what happened."

Olde Towne Players, the Coast's new community theater, will present "The Laramie Project" as its debut production at 8 p.m. Jan. 30 and 31 and 2 p.m. Feb. 1 at Serenity Gallery, 126 Main St., Bay St. Louis.

Serenity owner Jerry Dixon, a staunch supporter of the arts, has been generous in allowing Olde Towne Players to use his gallery for organizational meetings, auditions, rehearsals and performances.

Production designer Ray Kutos of Pass Christian, who is also a veteran actor and director, has designed the set, which will include a small stage and flats, as well as the lighting and music.

Director Sherry Schwabacher of Bay St. Louis has used her vast experience in acting and directing to assemble a cast of six men and seven women who will play multiple roles in portraying the 40-some characters in the play.

The cast members — from Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Hancock County, Diamondhead and Pass

Christian — range in age from teenagers to senior citizens. They are Amanda Acker, Clem Acker, Martin Booda, Jessie DiGiacomo, Joy Galloway, Joyce Graves, Sandy Higdon, Shannon Jenkins, Donna Oakley, Rachel Stanley, Marilyn Timms, Bryan Vonder Bruegge and Jim Welsh.

Several of them have 60 or more acting credits under their belts. A couple of them are "hitting the boards" for the first time. Three of them have been paid as extras in movies.

Schwabacher said the cast has bonded and developed a warm camaraderie.

"We're all having fun," she said, "which is just the way it's supposed to be."

"We've developed a workshop attitude," Schwabacher said. "It's really exciting working with everyone on a workshop basis, finding those different ways to interpret a line. Several times during initial readings, we would be going along and I would stop someone and say, 'Now, you read that line this way,' and I'd ask 'When you all were reading the play, did any of you hear that in a different way?'"

It was really illuminating. It's been very collaborative."

She cited an example: "One scene goes from the church to the courtroom, and I'm trying to figure it out and I try it one way.

Then someone said, 'I think this would work.' And it did."

A visitor at the Feb. 13 rehearsal, herself an accomplished actress, noted that the production still had two weeks of rehearsal time.

"From what I saw, it's ready for an audience now," she said.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for students with ID at the door. Olde Towne Players will donate 50 percent of proceeds after expenses to the South Mississippi AIDS Task Force.

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(Front row from left) Joyce Graves, Bryan Vonder Bruegge, Joy Galloway and Amanda Acker. (Back row) Shannon Jenkins, Rachel Stanley, Jesse DiGiacomo, Martin Booda, Jim Welsh, Clem Acker and Donna Oakley. Not pictured are Sandy Higdon and Marilyn Timms.

## Arts Under the Dome features Russian Trio

BY BENNIE  
SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

The Arts Under the Dome will begin its 2004 concert series this weekend with Russian musicians Trio Voronezh. The concert will be held on Friday, January 23 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 15th St. at 24th Ave. in downtown Gulfport.

The trio hails from Voronezh, Russia. They were discovered while they were playing in a subway station in Frankfurt, Germany and have gone on to play many major venues including Garrison Keillor's Prairie Home Companion radio show and the Oregon Bach Festival.

Their musical repertoire ranges from the classical works of Bach, Vivaldi and Tchaikovsky, to popular music, gypsy dance music,

and Russian folk. Trio members play a variety of traditional Russian folk instruments including a double-bass balalaika, a three stringed Russian national instrument, a domra (an ancestor of the mandolin) used since the fifteenth century, and the bayan (a chromatic-button accordion).

Trio member Vladimir Volochin is a national champion with the All Russia Domra Competition. Sergei Teleshev plays the bayan and Valeri Petrushin rounds out the sound with the balalaika.

Classically trained at the Conservatory in Voronezh, the three formed the group in 1993 in their working class city.

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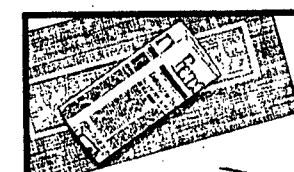
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900 SQ FEET IN COAST PLAZA corner Hwy 90 and McLaurin Street. \$900 per month. Larger space available. 228-466-3333.

BUSINESS & OFFICE SPACE FOR rent in Holly Park, Kiln, Ms. 255-1604 beeper: 883-2312. Jeff Larsen.

HWY. 90 NEAR HANCOCK MEDICAL Center 1200 sq. ft. office space for lease recently remodeled \$850/mo. 467-8392.

OFFICE & RETAIL SPACE available: Choctaw Village, Waveland Ms. Phone 228-255-4396 or Pager 228-883-8554.

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CAUSE OF HANCOCK COUNTY OF MISSISSIPPI  
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM EDWARD SUMMERS  
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI  
COUNTY OF HANCOCK  
TO: The unknown other persons claim as heirs of the said deceased.  
You are hereby notified that the said William Edward Summers, deceased, has been declared dead by the court of the said county of Hancock, Mississippi, and that the said court has appointed the said William Edward Summers, as administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said will of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said inventory of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said account of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said report of the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court a true and correct copy of the said petition for the said court to appoint the said administrator of the said estate of the said William Edward Summers, deceased, and that the said court has ordered the said administrator to file with the clerk of the said court







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